Major League Magnates Meet For Further Discussion of Plans For Coming Season

MURPHY'S REFORMS PASS OVER JOHNSON

Berates Him for Indifference to Plans of Changing Rules.

NATIONAL LEAGUE MEETS IN NEW YORK

American Magnate Serene in Spite of Chance for a Big Rumpus.

The vernal volubility of Charles Webb Murphy, as heard previous to the spring meeting of the National League in New York today, was filled with chiding for Ban Johnson

Murphy confided to a hundred reporters in the strictest confidence that his mind bulged with reforms for the great pastime, and that they would surely become law, but for the cold in difference of Mr. Johnson. Murphy an nounced that one of his burning reforms is a rule to prevent coachers seizing a runner who has overslid a base and casting him back like a bag of oats Mr. Murphy would have the coacher prohibited from touching the runner at

But Mr. Johnson falled to name rules committee to attend a joint conference, with the result that there car be no tinkering with the rules. Whereat Murphy rages and declares that John son has violated the national agree ment. Johnson, who is busily engaged in Chicago with his own baseball or ganization, and his own business, smile in serene ignorance of the Murphy tirade and calmiv awaits the action of his colleagues that may give him a large addition to his already plethoric salary.

It is not at all likely that Murphy will be able to start a rumpus between the two major leagues, not even for the publicity there would be in it for him. But, should he manage to stir up strife over his great reforms, he would doubtless do as he has in the past-lay down his pair of deuces when called and murmur "That's good.

As a wearer of ornate vests, Murphy is a glittering success and trots in the same class with "Little Tim" Woodruff, but as a beseball proposition, he is not taken too seriously.

There is one rule that a lot of men who are entitled to respectful consideration insist should be changed, and that is the provision referring to earned runs. Frank Richter declares the earned run should be restored, as it is the most faithful index of the effectiveness of the pitcher, and the only method of determining the slab men. suggested that bases on balls, wild pitches and any misplay by the pitcher that gives a man first base or advances a runner, should be included

in calculating the earned run.

There is truth in the assertion, and if the earned run were again in force, the season's records would be quite different from what they are under the present season's records. the present scoring plan. A pitcher like Walter Johnson would shine if earned runs were scored.

From Hot Springs, where a squad of the Nationals are trying to combine baseball and snow, with the odds on the snow, is wafted the information that Captain McFirlde, being unable to obtain sufficient snow plows to clear off the diamond at Majestic Park, organized an aloine club among his men and started to climb the mountains in that vicinity. He said he thought it would be fine exercise for the boys, and would serve to put their wind in good would serve to put their wind in good

Germany Schaefer did some fine yod-ling when he first began to climb, but he soon found that he required all his breath for the exercise.

Captain McBride said it would be three or four days before he puts his men in uniform, but as the boys would remain there for three weeks, they would have plenty of time.

Frank Farrell intends to give the play on by July 4, at Broadway and 221st street, and, according to the plans and specifications, it should prove to be one of the finest ball grounds ever laid out. It was not so many years ago that the National I. See that the proposed plan of holding a set of athletic games at the Fifth Regiment Dr. This new diamond is the second one for

Baseball Candidates Strong At Brookland

The largest list of candidates that ever Manager Daly today.

do outside work.

The pitching staff at the university this season will present a much more formidable appearance than ever before, "Chief" Greene, who practically was the whole steaming that the university the games by sending a large list of entries. Washington would also come to the aid of the games. It would also help to put Baltimore on a better attribute the whole steaming that the club to a large extent.

At the cicul to a large extent. was the whole pitching staff last year, now have men on whom he can in the event of worse coming to worse. Ryan, a newcomer at the uni versity, has seen service in the high schools of Burlington, Vt., and from all reports is a twirler of no mean ability. His best performance last season was against the strong University of Ver-mont team, when he held the mto a few scattered hits, although losing his game.

Among the pitchers who have reported so far, are Green, Greer, Clancy, Hatcher, Ryan, Furey and Kummer. Nearly all of these men have had wide experience in high school or college baseball, and should help the "Red and Black" greatly against the many

to two candidates yesterday, has been augmented by the appearance of four new men. Fagan, Valade, Helldorfer and eDlancy are the new men who have come out to understudy McDon-nell and Zachary. Valade caught on the Reserves last year and should have acquired enough knowledge of the art of backstopping to warrant his appear-ance in a few of the minor games. The big firstbaseman, Lambert, who the big firstbaseman, Lambert, who held down the same position on Rock Hill second team, last year, will try out for the initial sack on the university team, and should make some of the other candidates hustle. Dutch Hessler and Hackman are the other candidates for the same of the other candidates hustle. Some of the Georgetown Baseball Candidates Who Are Trying for Battery Positions



ARTHUR FEENAN.

BALTIMORE TO BID

Athletic Club Governors Will Hold Meeting Saturday Night.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 14 .- The board of governors of the Baltimore Athletic Club will hold a meeting at the North Charles street home Saturday night.

One of the most important discus-Armory. There has been much talk of ly at the suggestion that the new orthe club taking hold of the Federal
ganization could find enough land on
Manhattan island to lay out one ground.

This was the suggestion that the new orthe club taking hold of the Federal
games, and it will be decided at the
meeting whether that fire and meeting whether that fine set of a sale in Kentucky. One of them is by games will come to this city. It would Ethelbert, the sire of the renowned be a great thing for the club to hold Fitz Herbert. the games.

Tom Graham, a member of the ciub, some time ago tried to get the members and board of the club interested
in athletics, and so far has been suc
Doyle, and a number of club, and and an another of club, and another of club, and another of club, reported for a Catholic University base-ball team handed in their names to the Fifth Regiment armory School and breeding. It is said he con-Manager Daly today.

Although the weather was such as to warrant the men tossing the ball around tinger, the all-around champion of the Civics games, has been stimulating the club to a large extent.

Georgetown to Try Out Fielders In Two Weeks

Infield and outfield candidates for the Georgetown baseball team will be ordered to report in about two weeks, the exact time depending upon the weather and the condition of the

About fifteen battery candidates reported at Ryan gymnasium yesterday Mr. Gardner's part seems to have been for their initial workout. The men rewarded strong contenders that will appear on were content to lob straight ones over the catching staff, which was limited as Coach Sprigman was careful to Brown University to see to it that no chances were allowed for troublesome sore arms to get in their work

their work.

Among the candidates were "Wobby" O'Connor and "Skip" Wymard of last year's team, Dave White, Harry Davis, Talbert Lynch, and Charles Mitchell, who are newcomers for places on the pitching staff, and "Bunny" Feenan, Jimmy Dunn, Jack Hegarty, and Jim Fury, who are trying for backstopping positions.

Hessier and Hackman are the other from now on under contenders for the rst base position. Coach Sprigman.

Ship Large Stables to Washington Track.

That the horsemen of the East appreciate the Benning course as a mosattractive place for early spring training is shown by the plans that are being made to ship large stables here preparatory to the opening of the regular

While there are many who would prefer to prime their stables on the Pim- A. U. ico track if it were possible, Benning is conceded to be the most desirable are about eight inches of sand here, and it is seldom that the frost is so as he is chairman of the committee. heavy that it extends below the top. Trainer Joe Gladdish has two of W.

S. Diffenderfer's fillies at Benning. They are both by St. Mark and are said to be "phenoms." One of them, as a rearling, is said to have worked threeeighths in 35 seconds. It is rumored that \$3,000 was refused for one of the

Tyree's Big String.

Dr. Tyree, the Washington turfman, has fifteen at Benning. It is said that the doctor has two high-class two-yearolds in the string that he purchased at

Amos Turney, the Kentucky turf-man, owner of Theo. Cook. Martin Doyle, and a number of others that are

them took part in the indoor meet at the Fifth Regiment armory Saturday night. The work of William G. Boet, thinger, the all-around champion of the Civics games, has been stimulating the club to a large extent.

Athletic clubs and associations, as well as colleges and schools of this city, would no doubt help to support the games by sending a large list of the games by sending a large list of entries. Washington would also come. the famous son of Hindoo and Bourbon Belle, without a doubt the greatest sire in America. Hanover's death, coupled with adverse legislation in New York, was a great loss to Mr. Young, and he disposed of all his stallions and brood mares at auction. Many of these bluebloods were eagerly graphed up by bluebloods were eagerly grabbed up by foreigners, and breeding of the thoroughbred in this country suffered an irreparable loss. Mr. Young will be welcomed back into the fold, but McGrathlana can never be replaced.

Statesman In Training. One of the best pieces of winter racing news picked up at Pimlico is that Frank E. Gardner has got Statesman in training and hopes to get him to the post once more. It was a little over a year ago that the strapping son of Kinley Mack broke down in the Preak-oBb Taylor, proprietor of Mt. Pros-

Play Rhode Island

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 14 .- The Brown University team will open its baseball season on March 30 with a game with Rhode Island State Col-

lege. Twenty-seven games are on the positions.

All the men appear to be in good condition with the possible exception of Dunn, who is somewhat over weight. The candidates will work out each day from now on under the tutelage of Coach Sprigman.

Twenty-seven games are on the Manager Barker. New games on the list are with the University of Michigan, the University of Virginia, and Massachusetts Agricultural College. Of the twenty-seven games, twenty will be played on Andrews field.

Europe with Willie Hoppe, his brotherin-law, and would not return until next Walsh will rejoin the track squad tomorrow, but hopes to spend a part of next summer touring on the

Joyce investigates.

against two wrestlers from Baltimore South Atlantic Association of the A. be a secondary consideration.

of all winter training ground. There and Prof. Joyce assures me that there an dothers have at other places is the

Cathedral has winner.

The basketball teams of the colleges and clubs of Washington are given so much notice that an unusually clever showing by a school quint is often overlooked.

This is the case with the team reprethis winter. Although a comparatively newcomer in scholastic sport, the Wisconsin avenue boys have developed until they have practically completed their campaign without a defeat. The individual play is good, and Coach Green has the five working together so well that the other teams here find it impossible to stop Cathedral.

Yesterday they won from Western High, and before the end of the week will play Business and Eastern.

Greek wrestlers here.

authority all this talk about conflict in authority between the captains and coaches at Georgetown is about as serious as a typhoon in a water bucket. It has always been an unwritten law that a coach is master of the situation. The idea is that a man of years and experience as a competitor and later as Prof. Maurice Joyce, of Carroll Insti- coach has far better knowledge and tute, is making a thorough investiga- more reliable judgment than a young tion of charges of professionalism captain who must worry first of all over his own training, and to whom the who are anxious to compete in the development of a team must necessarily

There is nothing more essential to Preliminaries for National There is no sport which has to be successful sport than absolute discipline. watched more closely than grappling, The control which Courtney, Murphy, will be no scandal creeping in as long same that has always been insisted upon by successful coaches like Pat Demnsey and Jim Sprigman, and I would be greatly surprised if Bill Foley would ever allow his decisions to be overthrown by favoritism or any other evil, To attempt to disparage Foley's abilty would be a reflection upon the men of Rob Roy Mackey these grapplers who chose him to rehabilitate Georgetown on the field and track. It was dall Green if the representatives do who chose him to rehabilitate George-This is the case with the team representing the National Cathedral School this winter. Although a comparatively few seasons brought the paratively few seasons brought the teams to such a condition that they were dangerous rivals for any of the largest university squads. Well stocked trophy cases at Central High School are silent testimony to the consistent success of Foley's proteges against the best scholatic teams in the East.

Description of the consistent success. Success.

The Annapolis authorities are making no mistake in having "Big" Brown, the football player who was mentioned for the All-American eleven, join the crew

TECH IS HAMPERED BY NEED OF SPACE

Track Work Likely to Be Abandoned Until Men Can Get Out.

ably may cause Technical High School to practically abandon track work until the athletes can get out of doors.

There has been little or no opportu-

There has been little or no opportunity to develop a track team this season, owing to the fact that the athletes have no training quarters. The third-floor corridor was at first used, but the hard floor precluded any possibility of satisfactory results, and the athletes used the training quarters of George Washington on New York avenue. Now that these have been given up the squad is at a loss to know what to do.

Captain Edward Thrail has called a meeting for this afternoon, at which the situation will be gone over. It is thought Tech may enter men in individual events and allow them to train individually until the spring allows the team to get together. Several members of the team belong to the Y. M. C. A. and may be asked to do their training there.

here. Coach Mulligan will be present this

afternoon to talk over the matter and may present a solution. No athletes were entered in the Baltimore meet, and is more than likely that the George-town meet will find few entries. Gen-eral regret has been shown at the school over the inability of the track team to do much in the last few years, but the lack of a gym has done much to hold the Machinists back.

Chattanooga Gets Cuban. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 14.—Outfielder Viola, a native Cuban, who has made good in the minor leagues of the South-ern States, has been awarded to Chat-tanooga. Topeka, in the Western, claimed him.



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Decker, and Robert Conley.

Bowling Bid Withdrawn.
CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Milwaukee formally withdrew its bid for the 1912 meet of the American Bowling Congress at a meeting of the Illinois Bowling Association, Secretary Abe Langtry presenting a resolution adopted by the Milwaukee Bowling Association.

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